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**ABSTRACT**

**MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK**

5 A mobile communications network is adapted to service mobile  
terminals having different operating protocols. The network includes  
multimode base stations each capable of operating selectively in at  
least some of said operating protocols and each having means for  
interrogating a mobile terminal so as to determine that terminal's  
operating protocol. A store contains sets of operating instructions, one  
for each protocol, which are downloaded to a base station controller so  
as to operate the base station serving that mobile terminal in a mode  
10 consistent with the terminal's operating protocol.

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